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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re application of: Sharat Singh et al.) Examiner: Bradley L. Sisson
Serial No.: 09/466,369) Art Unit: 1655
Filed: December 15, 1999)
For: Individually addressable solid surfaces for multiplexed operations) REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO) WITHDRAW UNDER 37 C.F.R.) § 1.36

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

The undersigned attorney, on behalf of herself and all the other practitioners of the firm, requests permission to withdraw from representation as to the above-identified patent application.

Reason: At the request of the Assignee, ACLARA Biosciences, the file is to be forwarded to Peter Dehlinger of IOTA PI Law. (see attached copy of letter dated November 7, 2000, directed to Rae-Venter Law Group).

Please address all further correspondence directly to:

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To expedite the handling of this request to withdraw, this request is submitted in triplicate (original and two copies).

Respectfully submitted,

Date: November 20, 2000

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Barbara Rae-Venter, Ph.D. Attorney at Law Rae-Venter Law Group, P.C. 260 Sheridan Avenue, Suite 440 Palo Alto, CA 94306

Dear Barbara,

Pursuant to our previous conversation, please transfer all files and records pertaining to ACLARA Biosciences to Peter Dehlinger at IOTA PI Law (650/324-0880).

Your services and assistance have been greatly appreciated. Please let me know if I can minimize any inconveniences or assist in the transfer.

Samuel Kais

Sincerely,

Associate Director of Intellectual Property

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